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Dear Respondent:

This issue of the Idaho Crop and Livestock Producers' News covers the results of the September 2012 Vegetable Report. Acreage was reported for the U.S., Region and selected States.

This release is sent to survey participants in appreciation for their time spent responding to the survey. For more information contact us at nass-id@nass.usda.gov or at 1-800-691-9987. Thank you for reporting and your continued support.

Sincerely,

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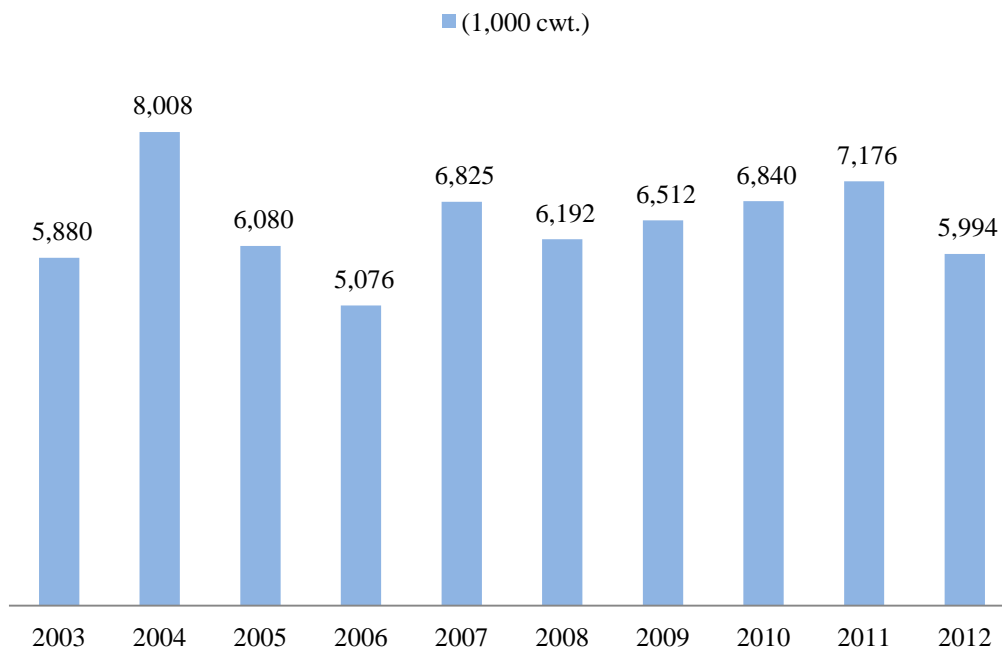
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Idaho Onion Production

Onion acreage harvested in Idaho is expected to total 8,100 acres, a 12 percent decrease from last year and a 10 percent decrease from 2010. Yield is forecast at 740 cwt per acre, down 40 cwt from last year and down 20 cwt from 2010. Production is expected to decrease 16 percent from last year to 5.99 million cwt. As of September 2, 30 percent of the state's onions had been harvested. This is above the five-year average of 18 percent. Malheur County is expected to have an onion production of 7.62 million cwt, down 8 percent from last year. The yield for Malheur County is forecast at 740 cwt per acre and acreage harvested is estimated at 10,300 acres.

Nationally, summer storage onion harvest, at 99,850 acres, is up 1 percent from last year. In California, harvest was on schedule and the crop was reported to be developing well. Washington onion growers experienced a very good growing season.

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Onions: Harvested Acres, Yield, and Production by Season, States, and United States, 2011 and Forecasted 2012

Season and State	Harvested Acres		Yield		Production		
	2011	2012	2011	2012	2011	2012	% of 2011
	<i>Acres</i>		<i>Cwt</i>		<i>1,000 Cwt</i>		
Spring	29,600	24,900	299	296	8,845	7,378	83%
Summer							
Non-Storage	18,800	18,800	556	573	10,452	10,781	103%
Storage							
California ¹	29,500	29,800	440	436	12,980	13,000	100%
Colorado	6,900	6,400	415	400	2,864	2,560	89%
IDAHO	9,200	8,100	780	740	7,176	5,994	84%
Michigan	3,400	2,900	240	310	816	899	110%
New York	6,200	10,100	305	330	1,891	3,333	176%
Oregon							
Malheur	11,300	10,300	730	740	8,249	7,622	92%
Other	9,500	8,400	685	610	6,508	5,124	79%
Washington	20,000	20,200	650	660	13,000	13,332	103%
Wisconsin	1,500	1,800	370	290	555	522	94%
Other States ²	1,730	1,850	440	489	761	904	119%
Total	99,230	99,850	552	534	54,800	53,290	97%
Summer	118,030	118,650	553	540	65,252	64,071	98%
United States	147,630	143,550	502	498	74,097	71,449	96%

1/ Primarily for dehydrated and other processing.

2/ Other States include Ohio and Utah.

A THANK YOU TO ALL IDAHO FARM AND RANCH OPERATORS

*Your cooperation in completing agricultural surveys from this office is greatly **APPRECIATED**. Accurate, useful estimates are vital in decision making. All estimates derived from these surveys, along with other pertinent agricultural data, are published in our regular series of releases. All NASS reports are available free of charge on the worldwide Internet. For access, connect to the Internet and go to the NASS Home Page at: <http://www.nass.usda.gov>. if you have any questions or require additional information, you may reach us toll free at 1-800-691-9987.*